

OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

Grandma.

When grandma puts her glasses on
And looks at me—just so—
If I had done a naughty thing,
She's sure somehow to know,
How is it she can always tell
So very, very, well?
She says to me, "Yes, little one,
'Tis written in your eye!"
And if I look the other way,
Or turn and seem to try
To hunt for something on the floor,
She's sure to know it all the more.
If I should put the glasses on
And look in grandma's eyes,
Do you suppose that I should be?
So very, very wise?
Now, what if I should find it true
That grandma had been naughty, too
But, ah! what am I thinking of?
To dream that grandma could
Do anything in all her life
But sweet and kind and good!
I'd better try myself, to be
So good that when she looks at me
With eyes so loving all the day,
I'll never want to turn away.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the EVANGELIST. I like to read the letters from the little folks very much. I am eight years old. I go to school. The name of our school is Elm Valley. I think it is a real pretty name, don't you? I read in the Third Reader, Arithmetic, Writing, Geography and Spelling. Mr. Ditch will preach for us at New Troy next Saturday night. Well, I guess I will close for this time. Good by,
GRACE REYNOLDS.
New Troy, Mich., Feb. 2, 1888.

DEAR EDITOR:—I will write a few lines for the Children's Column. I go to school. My teacher's name is Robert Gammon. Our Sunday School closed Christmas and will be reorganized the first Sunday in April. My Sunday School teacher's name is Mrs. Myra Rice. We had meeting today at the church. It is called the Pleasant Valley church. Walter Clark preached two weeks ago today. Mr. Macena of Ind. preached here, and two weeks from today Mr. J. Rittgers will preach. He preaches here every four weeks. Marshal Lee Nininger wanted to know about the climate and what is raised. I will describe it as best I can. Here where I live the climate is excellent and it is a very healthy country. We have had sleighing for about six weeks. The thermometer has not run lower than 14 degrees below zero and that did not last very long. It has ranged from 5 to 6 degrees in the summer. It is just warm enough to be comfortable in the shade. We raise all kinds of fruits, vegetables and grain. Wheat averages from 15 to 45 bushels per acre, oats 40 to 75 bushels and corn 60 to 80 bushels per acre. Land sells from \$40.00 to \$100.00 per acre. We have gas wells here in Michigan, but not any very near here. They are drilling for gas in our town but have not struck it as yet. We would like to hear from more of our little readers. If this letter escapes the waste basket, I will try and write again.

DELLIE HARTSELL.
Cassopolis, Mich., Feb. 5, 1888.

DEAR EDITOR:—The EVANGELIST came to our home this evening and after reading so many letters from the little folks. I thought I would try to write again and send ten cents to the Ashland College Roll of Honor Company A. Papa just read a funny letter from Bro. Beer. We always enjoy reading his letters. He used to be our preacher when he lived in Ohio. We all loved Bro. and sister Beer and wish they could come back. I will close for this time.

OLIVE WHITE.

Fair View, O.

DEAR EDITOR:—I will write to you as I have not written for the paper. I like to read the little letters that the young folks write. I am eight years old. I go to school and am in the Second Reader. My teacher's name is Miss M. E. Badgley. I study Reading, Writing, Spelling and Arithmetic. I go to Sunday School. My Sunday School teacher's name is Mrs. Artz. She is a good teacher. We have Sunday School here all winter. It is not so cold here as it is back east. I go to church every Sunday night. Our church house is being painted now. The weather is fine. The grass is green. It will not be very long until the flowers will come. I would like to go back east and see the snow and have a sleigh ride. I never saw a sleigh. I

will send ten cents to the College fund. I must close. Good by,

Lathrop, Cal.

DEAR EDITOR:—I thought I would try and help to fill our column once more, as I have not written for some time. Our school presented our school teacher with a large and beautiful album on Christmas and she treated all her scholars too. Uncle Ben is our school director and we can thank him for our good teacher. The weather is pretty cold here and we have had some sleighing here this winter. Pa and ma were at church to hear their good speaker. He still speaks every three weeks for them. They were very much pleased to see their speaker stand up and tell his members and many friends he would stand by them and speak for them for another year to come. Mr. Smouse is liked here by his members and many friends. Mr. Smouse comes rough or cold, rain or snow and fills his appointment here every three weeks. Pa still gets the EVANGELIST, and I don't see how we could do without it, for I love so well to read them. The M. E. church will have prayer meeting hear Thursday evening. There has been no protracted meetings here yet. I don't know whether there will be any or not. The M. E. church still has Sunday School every Sunday at two o'clock and I still go. I love to go. My pa and brother Daniel are still cutting logs for Mr. Cramer for the steam saw mill.

Respectfully yours,
SADIE SESSLAR.

Jan. 23, 1888.

DEAR EDITOR:—I like to read the letters in the Children's Column. so I thought I would write. I go to school every day. I have two brothers younger than I am. One is nine years old, and goes to school with me. The other is five. I am eleven years old. My pa, ma and I belong to the Brethren church at Buckeye City. Bro. Isaac Ross is our minister. We live five miles from church. So we cannot go very often in the winter when the weather is bad. Hoping this will not land in the waste basket. I will close for this time. Good by,

PEARL MILLER.

Buckeye City, O., Feb. 10, 1888.

DEAR EDITOR:—As I have not written for a long time, I thought I would write again. I go to school. We will commence Sabbath School in April at our school house. I was at meeting and Sabbath School today at Pleasant Hill. I like to go to school. My teacher's name is Edward Price. My teacher for summer is Edward Jay and for next winter Charley Staub. We had a Christmas tree at our school house. I will answer Bertha Lichty's question. John the Baptist was six months older than Jesus. And Essie Mallott's question: Organ is mentioned in the last Psalm. I will ask a question: Where is lady mentioned in the Bible? I will write again.

ALTHEA FOX.

Pleasant Hill, O.

DEAR EDITOR:—As the little folks are beginning to send in their little letters, I thought I would write one too. I am not going to school now. I am not well enough. I have not been well for a week or more. I was ten years old the 25 of last month. We have a good interesting Sabbath School. I love to go. I will close by asking a question: How many times is Mary mentioned in St. Luke.

IKIE HARRISON.

Pleasant Hill, Ohio, Feb. 2, 1888.

A Little Boy's Decision.

One day a small boy entered a store. The merchant looked at him, and asked:

"Well, my little man, what will you have today?"

"O, please, sir, mayn't I do some work for you today? You see, sir, my mother hasn't anybody but me; and this morning I saw her crying because she couldn't find five cents in her pocket book. She thinks the boy that took the ashes stole it—and—I—have not—had—any breakfast, sir."

Then his voice choked, and his blue eyes were filled with tears.

"I reckon I can help you to

some breakfast, my little fellow," said the merchant, feeling in his vest pocket. "Here—will this quarter do?" The boy shook his head, saying: "Thank you, sir, but my mother wouldn't let me beg, or take money unless I did something for it."

"You are a plucky little fellow, and I like you," said the merchant. "Let me see, I think you will do for a cash boy here. Go up to the clerk yonder, and tell him your name, and where you live; and then run home and tell your mother you've got a place at four dollars a week; come back on Monday morning, and I'll tell you what to do. Here's a dollar in advance; I'll take it out of your first weeks wages. Now go."

Tommy ran in to his mother, crying, "mother! mother! I'm took! I've got a place at four dollars a week. There's first dollar to get something to eat with. And don't ever cry again; for I'm the man of the house now!"

But the mother wept tears of joy over him, and then she kneeled down and thanked God for giving her such a treasure of a boy."—SEL.

The Marked Text.

"Isabel, this is the key of your mother's wardrobe," said a father to his motherless daughter and only child, on her eighteenth birthday, "take it, and at your leisure, look over your mother's things. You are at age now to value them."

Isabel was soon busy looking over her young mother's possessions. She could just remember being taken as a tiny child to kiss a sweet, pale lady in bed, and the next being told that her mother was dead, and as she looked on the long-unused things, she yearned to have that fair mother by her side.

Suddenly Isabel came on a well worn book, bound in red morocco, with a silver clasp. It opened at once about the middle, the place being marked by a bunch of dry and colorless flowers. She saw at once that it was a small Bible, and that it opened at a place where was a verse strongly marked in red ink. That verse was, "As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you;" and by the side was written, "My little motherless Isabel."

"It is almost like my mother speaking to me from the dead," Isabel said, solemnly. "She must have known I should find this some day;" and eagerly she kissed the page again and again.—OCCIDENT.

Father's Kneeling Place.

The children were playing "hide the handkerchief." I sat and watched them a long while, and heard no unkind word, and saw scarcely a rough

movement. But after awhile little Jack, whose turn it was to hide the handkerchief, went to the opposite end of the room, and tried to secret it under the cushion of a big chair. Freddy immediately walked over to him, and said, in a low, gentle voice:

"Please, Jack, don't hide the handkerchief there; that is father's kneeling place."

Father's kneeling place! It seemed like sacred ground to me, as it did to little Freddie; and by and by when the years roll on, and this place shall see the father no more forever, will not the memory of this hallowed spot leave an impression upon the young hearts that time and change can never efface, and remain as one of the most precious memories of the old home? Oh that there were a "father's kneeling place" in every family!

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Wheeling	9:00	10:15	8:50	11:25	
Bellaire	9:37	10:53	9:32	12:05	3:21
Zanesville	11:57	1:12	12:34	5:20	5:57
Newark	2:30	2:30	2:00	6:30	
Ar. Columbus	3:30	13:30	3:00	7:40	

Ar. Cincinnati	7:30	7:30	7:30
Louisville	12:30	12:30	11:30
St. Louis	6:40	6:40	6:50

Lv. Columbus	11:05	am 11:20	pm 17:00	pm 14:55
Mansfield	2:37	am 10:55	4:37	10:15
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Lv. Tiffin	4:05	7:55	6:55	1:07
Fostoria	4:25	8:22	7:40	1:47
Jeferson	5:48	10:02	9:52	3:23
Auburn Jo	6:48	11:13	11:27	4:28
Ar. Chicago	11:10	4:50	5:30	1:37

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Defiance	8:57	3:05	4:38	11:27
Fostoria	10:02	5:15	6:50	12:32
Tiffin	10:23	5:10	7:39	1:58
Sandusky		5:30	7:40	2:00
Ar. Mansfield	11:55	7:57	10:15	3:55

Lv. Cincinnati	7:10	7:10	7:30
Columbus	11:05	11:05	11:20

Lv. Newark	am 1:50	am 12:10	pm 13:55	am 6:20	am 4:55
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Bellaire	4:56	3:25	5:05		8:10
Wheeling	7:10	4:00	6:00		11:45
Ar. Pittsburgh	10:30	6:45	8:40		4:60
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